

HUNTING-TRAPPING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH AND GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 01-27-16

Issued at Juneau, Alaska
20 December 2016

Effective Date: 21 December 2016

Expiration Date: 30 June 2017
(unless superseded by a subsequent
emergency order)

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the state resident and nonresident wolf trapping and hunting seasons in Game Management Unit 1C- Douglas Island Management Area. This order is effective at 11:59 PM, Wednesday, December 21, 2016.

REGULATORY TEXT:

Therefore, the provisions of 5 AAC 84.270 (13), TRAPPING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR WOLF and of 5 AAC 85.045, HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR WOLF, are superseded by the provisions of 5 AAC 92.530(23) and this emergency order, and the following provisions are effective for trapping and hunting wolves in Unit 1C- Douglas Island Management Area:

Unit and Bag Limit	Resident Open Season	Nonresident Open Season
Unit 1C- Douglas Island Management Area		
3 wolf limit per regulatory year by trapping only:	Dec. 1-Dec. 21	Dec. 1-Dec. 21
3 wolves per regulatory year by hunting;	Aug. 1-Dec. 21 (General hunt only)	Aug. 1-Dec. 21

All other hunting and trapping regulations in Unit 1C remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

Sam Cotten
Commissioner

By delegation to:



Stephanie Sell
Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

As of Monday, December 19, 2016 three wolves have been harvested in Unit 1C within the Douglas Island Management Area, which encompasses all of Douglas Island. Per the Douglas Island Management Plan (5 AAC 92.530 (23)) wolf trappers must register with the department prior to placing gear in the field. Hunters and trappers also have 48 hours to report their harvest to the department and have a sealing requirement of 5 days. Because the guideline harvest level of 3 wolves has been met, an emergency order (01-27-16) is being issued to close the wolf hunting and trapping season in this area at 11:59 pm on Wednesday, December 21, 2016. The department continues to monitor deer population trends through annual spring deer pellet surveys, hunter harvest and effort, and through anecdotal information from people in the field.

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